

Postcards from the Boardwalk

Boardwalk

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✓ It's almost fall, time to go back to school. But for those who want one last summer fling, a good place is the Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk.

This year, that ocean-side landmark celebrated its 100th anniversary. Located on a breathtaking strip of coastline, the boardwalk has been the amusement park

of choice for generations of Northern California families.

Mercury News photojournalist Patrick Tehan visited repeatedly over the summer to capture the thrills of the Boardwalk at 100. So if you can't escape to spend a few hours there, as summer slips away, enjoy Tehan's look.

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More about the Boardwalk

Additional photographs and a list of special events and times. **PAGES 30,31**



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SUNSETS

are a must-see — and it means the nighttime fun's about to begin.



SKY GLIDERS

let riders have a bird's-eye view of all the hap



FUNNEL CAKES

are a popular food choice at the Boardwalk.



CARNIVAL GAMES

dot the concourse.



LAFFING SAL

is an animatronic from the 1930s.



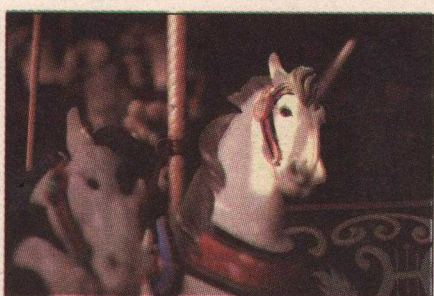
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at the beach.



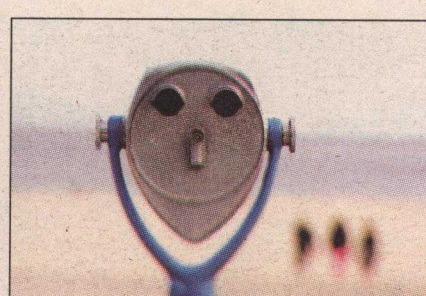
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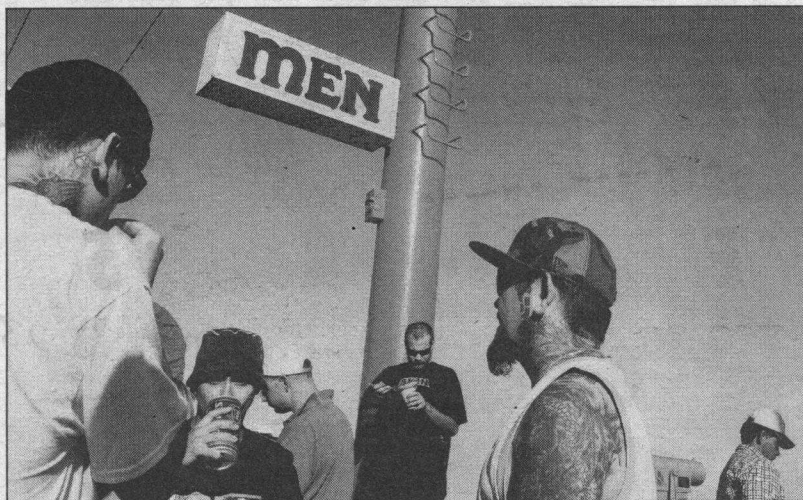
THE LOOF CAROUSEL
has been at the Boardwalk since 1911.



TATTOOS
are popular — and temporary.



COIN-OPERATED TELESCOPES
offer views of the Pacific Ocean.

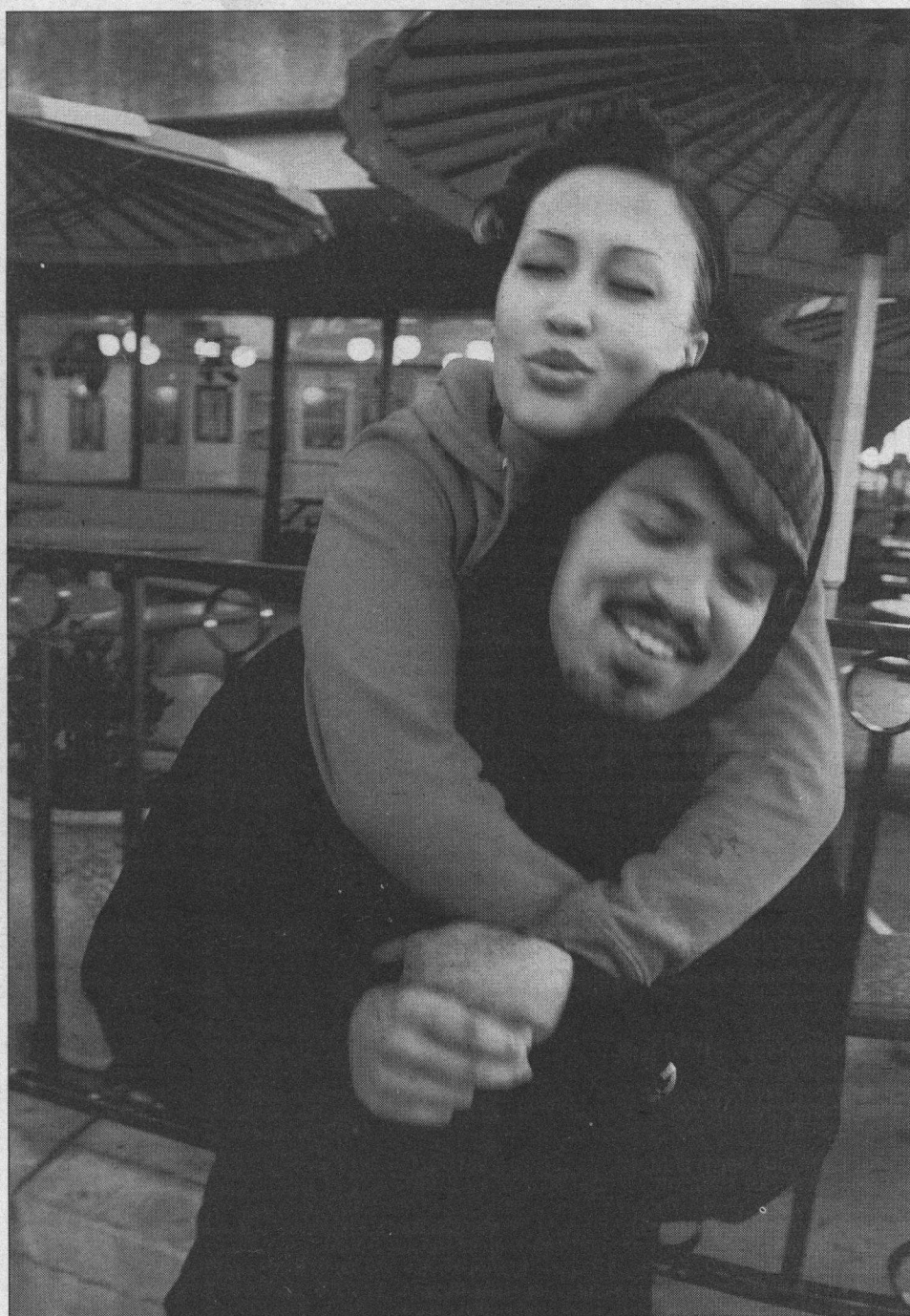


THE GUYS

cool off on a hot summer day in Santa Cruz.

Summer Boardwalk memories

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MAKING MUSIC

is part of the fun for Michele Thomas and Paul Galtman of Milpitas, who sing a song together.

Santa Cruz Boardwalk

Where: 400 Beach St., Santa Cruz

When: 11 a.m.-10 p.m. daily, through Labor Day

Admission: Free; tickets for individual rides can be purchased on the Boardwalk; parking \$10

Information:
www.beachboardwalk.com

Special events at the Santa Cruz Boardwalk

Aug. 25-27: Public Safety Officers Weekend. Special discounts for officers and their families. (831) 460-3342

Through Aug. 28: Monday and Tuesday night after 5 p.m., all Boardwalk rides cost 75 cents each. Hot dogs, Pepsi and cotton candy are also 75 cents.

Aug. 31: The Tubes, featuring Fee Waybill, present two free shows, 6:30 and 8:30 p.m.



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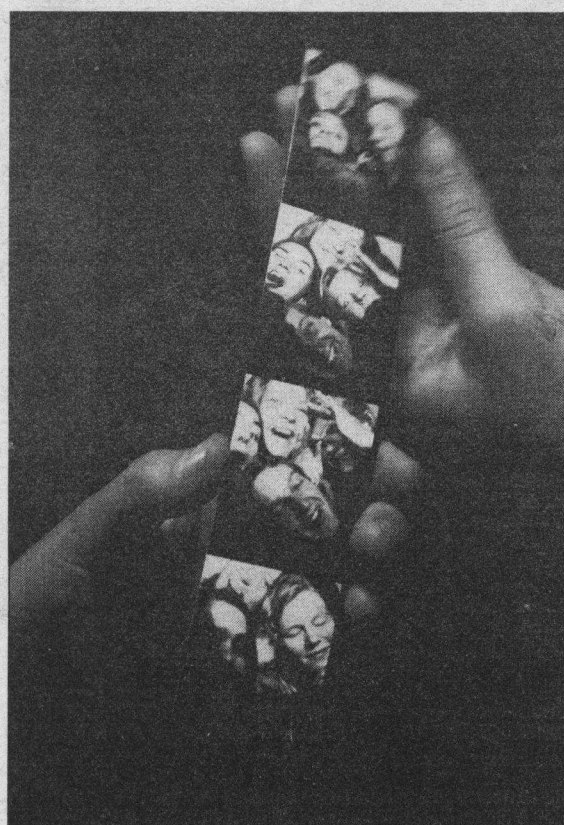
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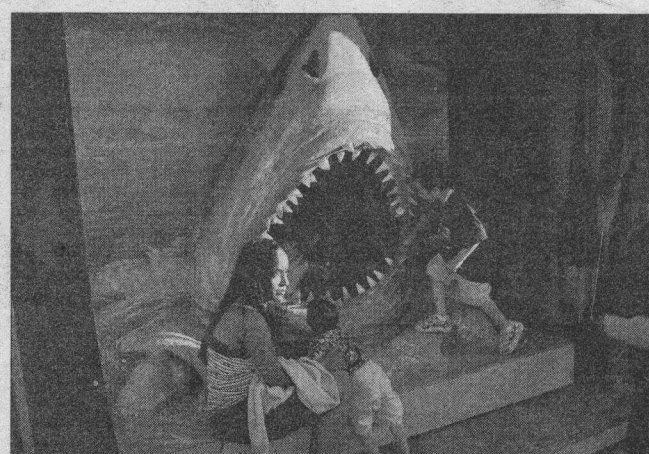
SHOWERS

help beachgoers remove a day's worth of sand.



FRIENDS SMILE

for the camera in this strip of snapshots taken at a photo booth.



SHARKS TEETH

on dry land aren't all that scary for Magdalena Nur of Concord and sons Nathaniel, middle, and Dominic.